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~~Mr. Proctor~~

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The attached was addressed to Mr. Parmenter.  
But Mr. King wanted you to see; so I made a copy  
for you and sent Mr. Parmenter's copy to him.

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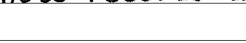
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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Coordination Staff, Intelligence  
Community Staff

SUBJECT : Progress Report on Senate Select Committee  
Inquiry into the NIS Committee


REFERENCE : Letter to DCI from Chairman, Senate Select  
Committee, dated 5 August 1975

1. Initial inquiry indicates that the items requested by the Committee for review are reasonably accessible. Appropriate collections have been recalled from Record Center and are expected to be in our hands by 12 August. Our preliminary estimate is that the documents requested will amount to 14 to 16 inches. I also estimate that we will require at least a week from receipt of the files from Record Center to review them and to reproduce those requested for Committee review. A reasonable date for transmission of the package to you appears to be 21 or 22 August. At that time I will also forward my recommendations concerning release of the documents.

2. Some background on Mr. Bruce R. Grant of the Committee Staff may be of interest. Mr. Grant represented Army on the NIS Committee of USIB for many years. He was an ardent spokesman for Army interests in the NIS Committee and a strong defender of the NIS Program, particularly as it was originally conceived as an encyclopedia of all basic intelligence relating to all parts of the world. He was distressed with the decisions to reduce coverage -- area, substance and frequency of update -- which were made over the years to reduce the resources required by the Program. And he was quite distressed at the time of his retirement, in January 1973, at the indications that the Program might soon be terminated. On 24 January 1973, the NIS Committee celebrated both its 25th anniversary and the retirement of Bruce Grant in a special ceremony in the Magazine Building Conference Room. A Bruce R. Grant "Army Chair" was dedicated by the other members of the NIS Committee in honor of his long tenure. The attached photo records that ceremony. Pictured are Mr. Grant on the left,  Vice Chairman of the NIS Committee and Chief of the NIS Division of OBGi -- and yours truly.

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